

I wish to comment on the prospective overturning of New Jersey's "Do Not Call" law.

The FCC should not overturn New Jersey's law because it is more restrictive than the federal statute. On the contrary, federal laws should be considered minimum standards for "best practice," and states should not be prohibited from affording their citizens further protections from intrusions on their privacy within their homes.

Before any "do not call" laws were passed, either at the state or federal levels, I took pains to write the main credit reporting agencies, various telemarketing firms, and other sources of such lists for telephone solicitation. I succeeded in ending nearly all unwanted sales calls.

I found the necessity to take these steps overburdensome, and I was pleased to see that the nation had caught up with legislation when the "do not call" laws were passed. Despite having little unwanted solicitation anyway, I signed up to the national call registry and the trickle of sales calls has thankfully decreased to an infrequent drip, which I address with each organization directly as they call.

I do not wish to see the pendulum swing back, even a little bit. Please allow more stringent state "do not call" laws to remain on the books.